



Music Calendar
2023 - 2024



Welcome

Welcome to the 2023-24 concert series presented jointly by King Edward VI High School for Girls, and King Edward's School. Music is at the heart of these two great schools, a unique, thrilling, and vital part of the musical life of our city.

Our programmes this year include John Rutter's *Gloria*, major chamber works, and Stravinsky's mighty *Rite of Spring*, a performance of which is hard to imagine in any other school.

Our concerto soloist is Asher Wei playing Shostakovich's First Violin Concerto; and you can also hear for the first time the work of our new Thirds and Shells.

New this year are two Instrumental Evening Showcases, celebrating the best performances of our Instrumental Evenings.

We look forward to welcoming you to our concerts, to share with you the great things our girls and boys achieve together in music.

Michelle Sanders and Martin Leigh



KING EDWARD VI
HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL
BIRMINGHAM

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 26 September 2023, 18.30 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

THE MISS MARGARET DAVIS MEMORIAL RECITAL

Thursday 28 September 2023 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

The first recital of the season, and traditionally one of the most prestigious. It commemorates all those who have supported music in our schools, and especially the generosity of Miss Margaret Davis.

Emmy Jin, viola; Asher Wei, violin; Rebecca Bazlov, piano.

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 3 October 2023, 18.30 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 9 October 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by pianists and organists from both schools.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 12 October 2023, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Derwent Wilson, harp; Noor Lambert, voice; Max Walsh, piano.

Piano quartet: Emmy Jin, violin; Karen Mao, viola; Josh Lavelle, 'cello; Aidan Zhang, piano.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 16 October 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by string players from both schools.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 23 October 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by woodwind and brass players from both schools.





LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 9 November 2023, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Gwilym Thorp, trumpet; Jiajie Li, flute; Henry Trevis, guitar; Amber Hilton, piano.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 13 November 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by guitar players from both schools.

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 14 November 2023, 18.30 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

RECITAL AT THE BARBER INSTITUTE

Friday 17 November 2023, 13.10 | The Barber Institute | Admission free.

Our annual trip to the Barber Institute to play as part of the University of Birmingham's Concert Series. The programme this year includes Beethoven's Wind Octet, Weber's Clarinet Quintet played by Ben Bown, and Juon's Piano Sextet, op.22.

Octet: Shalu Arun, oboe; Violet McNeill, oboe; Ben Bown, clarinet; Simon Cheung, clarinet; Alastair Zhang, bassoon; Tom Hattersley, bassoon; Roshan Bahia, horn; Cath Butler, horn.

Quintet: Ben Bown, clarinet; Alicia Liu, violin; Lulu Frisson, violin; Srilakshmi Sen, viola; Aidan Zhang, 'cello.

Sextet: Asher Wei, violin; Sharon Li, violin; Emmy Jin, viola; Josh Lavelle, 'cello; Bryneet Kaur, 'cello; Rebecca Bazlov, piano.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 30 November 2023, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Nonet: Jiajie Li, flute; Violet McNeill, oboe; Simon Cheung, clarinet; Alastair Zhang, bassoon; Roshan Bahia, horn; Emmy Jin, violin; Srilakshmi Sen, viola; Ming Jiang, 'cello; James Gooding, double bass.

KEHS Chamber Orchestra.



INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 4 December 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by vocalists, drum kit, and percussion players from both schools.

INSTRUMENTAL SHOWCASE

Wednesday 6 December 2023, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

The first ever Instrumental Showcase, a programme of highlights from this term's Instrumental Evenings.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 1

Sunday 10 December 2023, 15.00 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

Performances by Choral Society, Wind Band, Training String Orchestra, KES/KEHS Big Band, KEHS Chamber Choir and KES/KEHS Symphony Orchestra.

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 14 November 2023; on general sale from Tuesday 21 November 2023.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2

Sunday 10 December 2023, 19.30 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

Performances by KES Choir, Swing Band, KEHS Chamber Choir, Concert Band and KES/KEHS Symphony Orchestra.

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 14 November 2023; on general sale from Tuesday 21 November 2023.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 3

Monday 11 December 2023, 19.30 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

Performances by Choral Society, KES/KEHS Big Band, KEHS Lower School Choir, Concert Band, Concert Orchestra and KES/KEHS Symphony Orchestra.

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 14 November 2023; on general sale from Tuesday 21 November 2023.

KES CAROL SERVICE

Tuesday 12 December 2023, 19.30 | St Philip's Cathedral | All welcome.



INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Tuesday 30 January 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by pianists and organists from both schools.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 1 February 2024, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

James Gooding, double bass; Roshan Bahia, horn; Simon Cheung, clarinet.

Piano trio: Alicia Liu, violin; Bryneet Kaur, 'cello; Sharon Li, piano.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 5 February 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by woodwind and brass players from both schools.

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 6 February 2024, 18.30 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 8 February 2024, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Josh Lavelle, 'cello; Pierce Maughan, violin; Alastair Zhang, bassoon; Sharon Li, violin.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 19 February 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by string players from both schools.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 22 February 2024, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Bryneet Kaur, 'cello; Rachel Hopkins, voice; Tarun Muruganathan, 'cello; Alicia Liu, violin.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Monday 26 February 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by guitar players from both schools.

CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL CONCERT 1

Sunday 3 March 2024, 15.00 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

Choral Society and KES/KEHS Symphony Orchestra

John Rutter (b.1945): *Gloria*

Igor Stravinsky (1882-1971): *Le sacre du printemps* (The Rite of Spring)

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 6 February 2024; on general sale from Tuesday 20 February 2024.

CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL CONCERT 2

Monday 4 March 2024, 19.30 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

Asher Wei, violin.

KES/KEHS Symphony Orchestra

Dmitri Shostakovich (1906-1975): Concerto no. 1 for violin and orchestra

Igor Stravinsky (1882-1971): *Le sacre du printemps* (The Rite of Spring)

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 6 February 2024; on general sale from Tuesday 20 February 2024.

INSTRUMENTAL EVENING

Wednesday 6 March 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

An informal concert given by vocalists, drum kit, and percussion players from both schools.

SYMPHONY HALL

Monday 18 March 2024, 19.00 | Ruddock Hall | £10.00 adults, £5.00 conc.

Performances by choirs, bands, and orchestras from both schools.

Tickets available to everyone on Tuesday 5 March 2024.



LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 18 April 2024, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Ming Jiang, piano; Aidan Zhang, piano; Karen Mao, viola.

String quartet: Brendan Priest, violin; Mark Bo, violin; Karen Mao, viola; Ming Jiang, 'cello.

STEINWAY JAZZ NIGHT

Monday 22 April 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A concert of solo and group jazz performances given by musicians from both schools.

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 4 June 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

PERFORMERS' PLATFORM

Tuesday 11 June 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

A short concert of solo performances and chamber music given by advanced musicians from both schools.

SUMMER JAZZ CONCERT

Sunday 16 June 2024, 16.30 | Ruddock Hall | £5.00 adults, £2.50 conc.

The KES/KEHS Big Band hosts another summer's evening of jazz, featuring soloists from both schools and professional guest musicians.

Tickets available to parents and members of the school community from Tuesday 21 May 2024; on general sale from Tuesday 4 June 2024.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Thursday 20 June 2024, 13.10 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

Connie Zhang, flute; Brendan Priest, violin; Dhiren Fernando, piano; Harry Green, voice.

INSTRUMENTAL SHOWCASE

Wednesday 26 June 2024, 18.00 | Ruddock Hall | Admission free.

The second ever Instrumental Showcase, a programme of highlights from this term's Instrumental Evenings.

SYNDICATE CONCERT

Saturday 29 June 2024, 19.30 | Ruddock Hall

A concert devised and performed by members of the sixth forms from both schools.



*Tickets will be available from www.ruddockpac.co.uk or by calling **0121 472 9585** between 13.00 and 15.00, Monday to Friday.*

Parking

Unfortunately, we have no space for extra vehicles during the day.

Please arrive in plenty of time to locate a public car park nearby.

For ticketed events, a gate code will be given to you, in person or on-line; for unticketed evening events, the Edgbaston Park Road gates will be open.

Please park on the main school drive, off Edgbaston Park Road.

